



# BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

375th Airlift Wing, Public Affairs Office, Scott AFB, IL 62225-5004

## COLONEL BARBARA J. FAULKENBERRY

Colonel Barbara J. Faulkenberry is Commander, 375th Airlift Wing, Air Mobility Command's Showcase Wing, Scott Air Force Base, Ill. The wing makes "Global Mobility Happen" worldwide in partnership with U.S. Transportation Command and Air Mobility Command, headquartered here. The wing provides Operational Support Airlift throughout the continental United States with a fleet of 50 C-21 aircraft located at Scott, and at seven different geographically separated units. The wing's motto, "Help From Above," signifies the critical capability provided by the unit's aeromedical evacuation forces. The 375th Airlift Wing also makes "Global Mobility Happen" by deploying to expeditionary locations worldwide to provide aeromedical evacuation capability for joint military casualties, combat lift for the combatant commander's highest priority-people and cargo, and expeditionary combat support forces to ensure United States national interests wherever needed.

Colonel Faulkenberry entered the Air Force in 1982 as a graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy. Her career includes a variety of operational and staff positions to include Commander, 905th Air Refueling Squadron, and Deputy Operations Group Commander, 319th Operations Group, Grand Forks Air Force Base, N.D. She served in the Office of the Secretary of Defense as an Air Staff Training Program Intern. The colonel served as Chief of the Western Hemisphere Division (J-5), the Joint Staff. Colonel Faulkenberry is a 12-time interservice racquetball champion and was selected by the US Junior Chamber of Commerce as one of the Ten Outstanding Young Americans in 1997. Prior to her current assignment, the colonel served as the Commander of the 19th Air Refueling Group, Robins Air Force Base, Ga.



### EDUCATION:

- 1982** Bachelor of Science, Operations Research, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.
- 1985** Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala. (Distinguished Graduate)
- 1986** Masters of Business Administration, Georgia College, Ga.
- 1993** Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala. (Distinguished Graduate)
- 1994** Masters in Airpower Arts / Sciences, School of Advanced Airpower Studies, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 1999** Masters in National Security, National War College, National Defense University, Washington D.C.

### ASSIGNMENTS:

- 1. August 1982 - February 1983**, Student, Navigator Training, Mather Air Force Base, Calif.
- 2. February 1983 - July 1983**, Student, KC-135 Combat Crew Training School, Castle Air Force Base, Calif.
- 3. August 1983 - October 1987**, Navigator and Instructor Navigator KC-135A/R; Instructor Navigator EC-135Y, U.S. Central Command CINC Aircrew, 912th Air Refueling Squadron, Robins Air Force Base, Ga.
- 4. October 1987 - December 1988**, Air Staff Training (ASTRA) Program, Action Officer, Force Management and Personnel, Office of Secretary of Defense, Pentagon, Washington D.C.
- 5. January 1989 - August 1989**, Chief Navigator, Training Flight, 22nd Air Refueling Squadron, March Air Force Base, Calif.

6. **August 1989 - August 1993**, Deputy Director Laboratory Division; Director Intramural Division; and Director Instruction Division, Athletic Department, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colo.
7. **August 1993 - July 1994**, Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
8. **July 1994 - July 1995**, Student, School of Advanced Airpower Studies, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
9. **July 1995 - February 1997**, Chief Ops Group Stan/Eval, 319th Operations Group; Operations Officer, 912th Air Refueling Squadron, Grand Forks Air Force Base, N.D.
10. **February 1997 - August 1998**, Commander, 905th Air Refueling Squadron; Deputy Commander, 319th Operations Group; Grand Forks Air Force Base, N.D.
11. **August 1998 - June 1999**, Student, National War College, Fort McNair, Washington D.C.
12. **June 1999 - November 1999**, Politico Military Planner, Conventional Arms Control Division, Directorate of Strategic Plans and Policy, J-5, Pentagon, Washington D.C.
13. **November 1999 - July 2001**, Chief, Western Hemisphere Division, Directorate of Strategic Plans and Policy, Joint Staff, J-5, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
14. **July 2001 - July 2003**, Commander, 19th Air Refueling Group, Robins Air Force Base, Ga.
15. **July 2003 - present**, Commander, 375th Airlift Wing, Scott Air Force Base, Ill.

#### **FLIGHT INFORMATION:**

Rating: Master Navigator

Hours Flown: 2,200

Aircraft Flown: KC-135A/R, EC-135Y, T-43

#### **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:**

Defense Superior Service Medal

Legion of Merit

Airman's Medal

Bronze Star with one oak leaf cluster

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Aerial Achievement Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal

Joint Service Commendation Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal

#### **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:**

**Second Lieutenant** June 2, 1982

**First Lieutenant** June 2, 1984

**Captain** June 2, 1986

**Major** May 1, 1993

**Lieutenant Colonel** Jan. 1, 1997

**Colonel** April 1, 2000

(Current as of September 2004)